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"Therefore Came I Unto You With-
out Gain-Saying, as Soon as I
Was Sent For; I Ask
Therefore, For What
Intent Ye Have
Sent for Me?"

Sermon preached by Rev. Montgomery May,
on S. S. of the 1st, Presbyterian church,
Hopkinsville, Ky., May 10, '85, 11 A. M. Acts
XIII.

DEAR FRIENDS: Could you go
back with me to the earlier scenes in
my life and see me first, as the little
prattler with sick horse and dog;
then after a time as a barefoot
boy with marble and kite
or sitting in the school
room dazing over those difficult
and puzzling lessons to every beginner,
which are contained in Webster's
spelling book and Goodrich's first
reader, wondering at the strange and
at that time unmeaning language of
those farther advanced, as they read-
ily solved the elementary problems
contained in Coleman's Mental
Arithmetic.

After a time could you have heard
me slowly and imperfectly giving
the different parts of speech, as also
the construction of sentences of another
tongue, as held down and arranged
in Butler's English Grammar.
Then again witness my almost hope-
less attempts to find and point out
on the map the various cities, towns,
rivers and mountains as noted in
Mitchell's Geography. Then see my
rude and irregular scribbling above
and below the line as I vainly at-
tempted to imitate the copy written
in the copy book, which was finally
most obscured by blot, marks and
finger prints.

Could you thus have followed me
on through the various stages of
training and preparation in early
childhood and youth, from one plane
to another until I had reached, as I
then thought, almost the goal of my
ambition, my first entrance into
College.

Could you have witnessed the dis-
pelling of my fanciful visions, the
ruthless overthrow of the hummer-
able chimeras that I had built with
so much care and precision, during
the long nights of hard and uninter-
esting toil over what at times proved
to be dull and uninteresting text books,
together with the failures and imper-
fect recitations in the class-room,
when I had hoped and expected to
go through without making a single
mistake.

Could you have observed at such
times my discouragements and low
spirits, with the long and lonely
walks as I went alone to some re-
tired spot to grieve over my disap-
pointments. Then see me as I re-
ceived fresh encouragement from the
only being, (who, at all times is
found to be the true friend of the
discouraged,) again entering into my
difficult studies and duties with re-
newed determination and hopes of
final success.

Could you have followed me
through all these trying scenes and
also been with me in my hours of
happiness and rejoicing when I
thought I had been successful and
had acquired myself with a certain
degree of credit at least.

Thus on up through the varying
scenes of my college course, until at
length, the last day of my life as a
college student arrived, the last ex-
amination passed, the last trying or-
deal gone through, the last speech
as a college boy delivered on the day
of graduation, the final congratula-
tions exchanged, the final farewells
given to one another, as our class sepa-
rated to go into the different parts
of the world to engage in the differ-
ent pursuits and professions of life.
Many of us, said the thought! after
these years of close and constant in-
tercourse, never again to meet this side
of the bar of God.

Could you have been present as I
entered upon my theological course,
preparing (though I knew it not) to
preach the glad news of salvation, for
a time at least, in this church in
Hopkinsville.

Could you have noted the trials
and hardships incident to a theo-
logian's life during the years spent in
the Seminary, together with all the
previous preparatory stages named,
you would be able the better to ap-
preciate my feelings to-day as I
stand before you, ready to enter upon
my work in this field.

Now my friends, is not my case
similar in some respects to that of
the Apostle Peter, who in the words
of the text had presented himself for
the first time to preach his first ser-
mon to the Gentiles? This was not
the first time he had preached, for
that memorable and powerful ser-
mon on the day of Pentecost had
preceded it, as also many others
that he had preached to the Jewish
people. But it seems that all these
were but preparatory and introduc-
tory to the first sermon to the Gen-
tiles that should formally launch him
upon his life's work, the installation
(so to speak) as the preacher or un-
der-shepherd to the Romans or Gentiles.

Now note the comparison of my
own case with his.
While this is my first sermon as
minister here, it is not the first time
I have tried to preach elsewhere.
Since I entered the ministry as the
second sermon already delivered testi-
fy.

Again note: Peter did not go to
the Roman Centurion or the Gentiles
until he was called or sent for, as al-
so directed by God to go to that field.
Neither did I come to you until
you sent for me and I had laid the
matter before God, the Great Head
of the church.

Again, the Centurion's family en-
gaged in earnest prayer asking the
Lord to send them a minister. So I
believe you, as one family, (for thus
we should and must regard our
church,) earnestly presented your pe-
tition to the same Lord that the Ro-
man Centurion prayed to, that He
would send you a minister. And
now as Peter went in answer to pray-
er and by the guidance of the Master
so do I trust and hope that I have
come in answer to your prayers and
guided by the merriment wisdom of
the same Master.

Before Peter had seen the wonder-
ful vision here recorded, he had no
idea that it was his duty to preach
in Caesarea and to the people to
whom he afterwards went.

So I had thought my field of labor
at one time was to be in the West
and went to Kansas once and to Mis-
souri at another time expecting each

time to locate, but after all, decided
to remain in Kentucky and so have
never taken work outside of this, my
native State. Thus we see man's
plans and purposes which he would
make for himself, and the paths and
ways which he would and does mark
out for his feet to tread are often
set aside and overruled for his own
good.

You now understand how we are
all able to appreciate the words of
the Apostle contained in the text,
viz: "Therefore came I unto you
without gain-saying, as soon as I
was sent for; I ask therefore, for
what intent ye have sent for me?"

1. We see in the text a servant of
the Lord obeying his Master without
questioning his command.

2. He obeyed immediately as soon
as the way was made clear.

3. We hear him asking what he is
warranted for, i. e. what is expected of
him.

Note the obedience of the Apostle
to the command of the Lord, "There-
fore came I unto you without gain-
saying."

No matter what plans Peter had
formed for himself, no matter how
long he had expected to remain with
his friend, Simon, the tanner, nor
how pleasantly he was being enter-
tained at his house, no matter how
necessary it seemed to him that he
should remain at home, yet he did
not bow him speaking of these things,
nor once complaining, or murmur-
ing, that he must thus so abruptly
take his departure; but he tells
Cornelius that he came "without
gain-saying."

This should God's servants and
people ever act, when the path of duty
is made plain and open before
them. Even though our action should
cause our friends to forsake, or our
enemies to sneer and point the finger
of scorn, still, we must, like the Ap-
ple, "go forward," "without gain-
saying," "without questioning or cou-
pling."

It is not for the soldier to ques-
tion or find fault with the commands
of his superior officer.

Just so with Christian. Every one
of us is (or at least ought to be)
a soldier of the cross ready to do any-
thing or go any place where the
Great Captain leads. Yes and as
ready to relinquish or lay aside any
cherished or pet plans we have
arranged for our ease or comfort.
Oh! that you and I could make a
perfect and complete consecration of
ourselves and our all to the cause we
have espoused, saying as we do so,
"It may not be my way, it may not
be thy way, but in some way or other
the Lord will provide."

The self-sacrificing David Living-
stone wrote in his journal, Feb. 22nd,
1853, the following resolution, which
his subsequent history shows was the
main spring of that life which was
laid down in the wilds of dark Africa
for the cause of the lost heathen.
"I will place no value on anything I
have, or may possess except in relation
to the Kingdom of Christ. If
anything will advance the interests
of that Kingdom, it shall be given
away or kept only as by giving or
keeping it, I shall most promote the
glory of him to whom I owe all my
hopes for life and eternity. May
grace and strength sufficient, to en-
able me to adhere to this resolution, be
imparted to me, that in truth, (not in
name only) all my interests may be
identified with this cause."

How well this great explorer and
traveler, the noble and grand Chris-
tian missionary carried out his resolu-
tion, is shown in his giving up home
and family, to travel often alone in a
wild, unhealthy and inhospitable
wilderness inhabited only by
beasts and savages, to give his
life for the cause of humanity and
the glory of his Master, mourned by
all Christians.

Such lines are the true evidences
of Christianity. For it was he, he,
Christ that lived in him, the Christ
who, like him, once gave himself up
for a lost and degraded race, and
now repeats himself in all the chosen
vessels of his grace.

Let this glorious and deathless life
speak on and on, ever echoing, still
in the ears of false glory and vain
ambition the last words published
from his immortal pen, "who would
not be a missionary?" Had this
great missionary and soldier of the
cross consulted his own ease and
comfort, had his heart been set upon
seeking an easy position in life, one
in which he could make money and
receive a large salary, he would never
have gone to the wilds of heathen
Africa, but like Jonah of old would
have gone to a Turkish in the opposite
direction or remained in the quiet en-
joyment of his home, notwithstanding
the call from his captain on high,
however urgent and imperative, to
go to the front. And as a result for
acting the part of a deserter, the
glorious crown which he will now
be permitted to wear through eter-
nity, shrouded with many brilliant
gems each representing an immortal
soul that he was instrumental in
rescuing from an eternal death, would
have been bare, even had he
been permitted to reach that blessed
habitation at last.

Oh! the ecstasy of the thought
that it is within my power to so live,
and talk while here, as he who
lives in the endless ages of eternity,
that I may from world to world, from
sphere to sphere, I may here and
there meet with a mother or father
who may say: "Do you see that son
of mine, or that daughter of mine,
do you see that immortal joy sur-
rounding them; why you are the in-
strument that was used by God for
their salvation, you are the cause of
their being eternally saved, you are
the one who caused them to stop, to
cease traveling the downward road
to destruction, during the time you
preached in that lower world." Oh!
if tears could be shed, will not the
tears of joy flow freely? Will not my
heart be full to overflowing? Will
not my happiness be increased an
hundred fold, when I remember that,
like the great apostle, I came to you
"without gain-saying," so soon as you
sent for me.

In the second place the Apostle
obeyed immediately, for he says "I
came not soon as I was sent for." He
did not hesitate. He did not ask
them how long he would be expected
to remain in Caesarea, or how he
would be entertained while there.
He did not tell them he had now
been on a visit to his friend Simon,
the tanner, for a great while and
was anxious to return to his home
away up in Galilee, just as soon as
possible, since his life would be
in danger and disturbed at his long
absence.

He did not say, "Oh, I would pre-

fer to remain here in Joppa, since
this is a smaller town and there
seems to be a number here who
might be profited by preaching.
Why the people of this place have
just heard of the wonderful miracle
I wrought, the other day in calling
back to life the widow Doreas, who
had died. Now for me to leave,
when my fame as a preacher and
worker of miracles is being spread
over this place, it would indeed be a
great injury if not a calamity to the
church."

Alas, he offered no such pleas or
excuses as these for the time in which
to consider the matter. Nor did he
hesitate on account of his stained
character. He might have said,
(which however he did not) "I will
wait before I go forth as an apostle
to the Gentiles, and, by an exem-
plary and holy life, strive to regain my
reputation, at least in the eyes of my
brethren, since they were witnesses
of my sinfulness."

Dear friends, I suppose the
thought of his denial and abandon-
ment of the crucified Lord never was
out of his mind for an hour.

Thus many, very many, are held
back from usefulness by fear lest
men should laugh them with their
former character. Many who are
real Christians at heart, "who have
really been born again," whose
names are written in the Lamb's
book of "life never ending," above,
often hesitate to have their names
written in the church book below,
yet hesitate to cast in their lot with
God's people.

They say when approached on this
subject, "Oh, yes, I know it is my
duty to be associated with the Lord's
people, it is far preferable to this
situated mode of living, where you
find there is no one to throw around
you their kind sympathy, nor man-
ifest their Christian and brotherly re-
gard for your welfare."

Besides I know it is commanded
by our Lord Himself to thus become
one of the members of that body, of
which He is the head.

But yet, notwithstanding all this,
I don't feel that I am fit subject to
have acted in a way unbecoming a
professor of religion, and people will
call me a hypocrite and false pro-
fessor, for they know well enough
the life I have led and am leading."

My dear friend, whoever you are
that is acting thus, do you know you
are not confronting such an opinion
thus formed by the world, by acting
as you do? Come on to-day, come
for all, on the Lord's side and prove
that although you have done wrong
and are doing wrong, yet by the
grace of God, you are determined,
with his assistance and the prayers
of His people, to lead a different life
from this time forward. No doubt,
like Peter, you feel that you have
been guilty of denying your Master
before men. Now like Peter, be a
man and allow your sinfulness no
longer to remain a barrier between
you and the only source from which
you can derive needed strength and
resolution to live a Christian life.
Why if Peter had waited until he be-
came a perfect man before he should
again attempt to follow the Master
whom he publicly disowned with
curse, he never would have again at-
tempted to preach. Then think of
the dreadful consequences had he
thus failed to do his duty. That ser-
mon on the day of Pentecost would
not have been delivered, and still
more fearful to think of those 3,000
precious universal souls converted
under that sermon might, and in all
probability would have been lost,
and he would have had to appear in
judgment with the blood resting
upon him. How dreadful the thought!

Thus will the great Judge hold us
to an account for the good we might
have done as well as the wrong we
do while in this life. If a brother
in Christ has deserted a hundred
times that is no reason why he should
desist from fighting now.

Again the Apostle did not hesitate
to go to Caesarea on account of his
past life. Let us take the first time
of his going as a missionary to the
Gentiles, but he was courageous. He
knew God would assist him in pre-
paring a sermon suited to the occa-
sion as well as to the people.

The young minister may, and often
does act with anxious concern, as he
looks forward to years of hard and
wasting labor, and considers his own
inexperience, where are all my re-
sources? How can I cope with all I
manage to compose the hundreds of
sermons that will be required, so that
they may be interesting, instructive,
and above all, the means of convinc-
ing and converting sinners? "How
will it be possible for me to so treat
a theme that is so old and familiar,
(yes, and sad to say, distasteful to
many of my hearers,) so that I shall
hold their attention, interest them,
instruct them, and persuade them to
receive and accept the same."

Then to think, this is not to be the
case only once in a great while, but
Sabbath after Sabbath, month after
month and year after year, for years
it may be, i. e., if long life is granted
me. When dear fails I follow myself
to look at this matter in such a light,
I would be utterly hopeless and fugi-
tive, were it not for the fact that if
God has really called me and put me
into the ministry, He will surely
furnish the material, and at the same
time give me a mind and heart cap-
able of arranging the same.

Now let us each and every one
remember, as we enter the door that
has just opened up to us a new and
wide field for usefulness, that there
is some service for each one to per-
form, yet something for each one to
do. That the finger of God points
the one who comes forward, let us then know
where that Casarea is, and eagerly
hasten thither. Finally in the words
of the Apostle as recorded in the text,
"I ask therefore for what intent ye
have sent for me?" Like the phy-
sician when called to see the sick,
who wastes no time in idle formal-
ties but goes straight to the bedside
of the patient, so it is the duty of
the minister to know just why his people
have sent for him.

If the sick one sends for the phy-
sician that he may simply speak
cheering words, he should be so in-
formed before he goes to the trouble
and waste of compounding, appropri-
ating or prescribing costly and valuable
medicines.

So if a minister is sent for simply to
an agreeable companion or asso-
ciate, he should be so informed, so that
he may take his time and strength
in preparing for the pulpit and
prayer-meeting. Again when the
physician is sent for, it is necessary
that the patient, or patients remain
at home, (not run off to some other

doctor,) that he may see and prescribe
for them. So when a people send for
a minister, who is to be their own
preacher, it is necessary that they
should be at their home, (the church,) at
every visit in order that he may see
and prescribe for their spiritual
necessities. In a word, as the phy-
sician who is called to treat the bodies
of his patients, must have them
present, so it is just as necessary for
that minister who is called to minis-
ter to the soul's necessities to have
those souls present in order that they
may be treated. And remember,
since the soul is united to the body,
unless the body is present the soul
cannot be.

Now having come "I ask for what
intent ye have sent for me?" Is it
to be a faint-flinder, a ceuser, or to
happily follow around in your
footsteps to take note of every one of
your faults and then blaze them to
the world? No! for as has been
truly said, the preacher's position is
that of a shepherd, and not a sheep
dog.

It is to be a boon companion, al-
ways to be found at your houses, or
lodging in the stores and on the street
corners, thus passing the whole week
in illness, and having a good time
until Saturday afternoon or night
comes, and then hurriedly throw
together a few sentimental phrases,
come into the pulpit on Sabbath
morning repeat these and tell you
how Christians ought to live and act?
No. The great Thos. Shepherd, who
was an excellent preacher, used to
say, "God will curse that man's labor
who goes idly up and down all the
week, and then goes into his study
on Saturday afternoon. God knows
that we have not too much time to
pry in, to study in, to weep in, to
visit the sick and sorrowing in, and
to get our hearts into a fit frame for
the duties of the Sabbath and week
day meeting, by continuing thus,
during all the six short days previous
to the Holy Sabbath. And Brooks
says, of sermons written Saturday
night, 'I count this the crowning dis-
grace of a man's ministry. Not only
so but it is dishonest, it is stealing.
It is giving but the last dicker of the
wick as it sinks in its socket to those,
who (simply if we talk about it as a
financial bargain), have paid for the
full light burning at its brightest.
It is robbing God, by stealing the
time He has given for labor in His
cause, and devoting the same to idleness
and ease until the last moment,
when an entry is made in the Ledger
charging God for the whole time as
spent in His service. Can the Om-
nipotent God be thus deceived? no! I
assuredly not. And yet men boast of
it. They tell you in how short a
time they write or prepare their ser-
mons, and when you hear them
preach, there is so little of instruction
and benefit, that you only wonder
that it took them so long."

Again then, dear friends, I ask,
why have you sent for me? Oh! that
I could hear you all say with one
voice, (as I know many feel, "that
you may indeed and in truth be to us
a faithful under-shepherd following
in the footsteps of the Great Shepherd
who laid down His life for His sheep.")
"Warning us of the dangers that
beset us on every side, as we are
about to bring into the fold, those dear ones
who are wandering heedlessly with-
out."

Oh, yes, hear that mother, father
husband or wife say, "you were sent
for, that by your consistent life as
well as words, you may induce that
careless one who is as dear to me
as my life to forsake this wayward
and Godless life, by coming into the
fold of Christ, where the door is still
open, while it is not too late, still
life and health is still granted him,
"while an injured and rejected
Savior still stands at the door of his
heart and with His locks all wet with
the dew of the morning entreats him
to admit Him, entreats him to listen
to His tender pleadings, to accept
His offers of mercy, to no longer
despise and treat Him with contempt.
But to take Him in as a companion
and brother through life; then He
has promised, when you reach the
valley of the shadow of death, no
matter whether it be suddenly by ac-
cident, or disease, or in what manner
it may come. No matter whether in
youth or old age, (oh! happy thought!)
He is with you and will ever be with
you (ill time shall be no more.

Oh! Christian brother and sister
be to take Him in as a companion
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SEMI-WEEKLY SOUTH KENTUCKIAN.

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1885.

TIME TABLE FOR TRAINS.

DEPART SOUTH—6:45 A. M.; 12:30 A. M.
ARRIVE NORTH—2:15 A. M.; 8:20 P. M.
ARRIVE SOUTH—12:30 A. M.; 8:10 P. M.
POST OFFICE—North Main Street.
Open for letters, stamps—7 A. M. to 6 P. M.
" money orders—8 A. M. to 4 P. M.
" delivery, sundries—8:45 to 10:15 P. M.
SOUTHERN EXPRESS OFFICE,
Hopkinsville St.,
Open 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.



Go forth to draw, go forth to plant,
Ye growers of the weed;
The season's all that you need want,
'Tis just what you did need.

SOCIALITIES.

Mr. B. H. Hunt, of Louisville, is in the city.

Mr. Tom Torian, of Cadiz, was in the city, Tuesday.

Mr. J. M. Frankel has returned from a business trip East.

Mr. S. J. Grumbley, of Elkton, was in the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom W. Buckner, of Henderson, are in the city.

Miss Lizzie Cox, of Newstead, is visiting Miss Mattie Hickman.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Smith, of Hendersonville, were in the city yesterday.

Mr. Will T. Slaughter, of Allensville, Ky., was in the city Sunday.

Miss Annie Bradshaw, of Pembroke, is visiting Miss Sophia Rossington.

Miss Mary Burnett, of Cadiz, is the guest of Mrs. Ike Burnett, on South Main.

The Misses Wood, of Bellevue, are visiting Mr. Geo. Quisenberry's family.

Mrs. Frank M. Quarles, of Garrettsburg, is visiting the family of Mr. I. Burnett.

Messrs. C. W. Bell and J. P. Rickman, of Elkton, Ky., were in the city yesterday.

Rev. Dr. Phillips, of Henderson, has been the guest of Mr. S. G. Buckner, during the week.

Mr. C. W. Ware, of Trenton, was circulating among his many friends here Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Nancy Stevenson and Mrs. Pauline Lauder returned yesterday from a visit to Princeton.

Miss Florence Greer, of Cerulean Springs, is visiting the family of Mr. G. H. Johnson this week.

Mrs. Henry Hunt went over to Nashville yesterday to attend the closing exercises of Vanderbilt University.

Mrs. Herschel Porter, Mrs. Ben Garnett and Miss Mattie Richardson, of Pembroke, came in yesterday to attend the Commencement last night.

Messrs. John H. Wood, of Cincinnati, and S. Dickinson and Geo. Ryars, of Trenton, and D. S. Dickson, of Pembroke, took in the concert this week.

Lost Pocket Book.

On Monday 18th a black memorandum book containing \$35.00 in currency—three ten dollar bills and one five dollar bill, the book also contained some photographs, notes, &c. The finder will return to this office or J. W. Metcalfe's store and be rewarded \$5.00.

W. H. HALEY.

South Kentucky College.

The annual examinations of South Kentucky College commenced Thursday, May 28, and will continue one week.

Commencement sermon at Christian church Sunday night, May 31, 1885, by Rev. E. L. Powell.

General reunion and Art reception on Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6:30 at college.

Regular commencement exercises at the Opera House on Thursday night, June 4, 1885.

There will be about one dozen graduates.

Prof. John J. Tigert will deliver the Literary Address on same night.

Friday morning at 9:30 the Juniors will give their exhibition at the college.

The splendid band of Evansville has been engaged for the several occasions.

The music class of the college will be assisted by the band at the general reunion and Junior exhibition.

At the Opera House the friends will be entertained by professional musicians only. The friends, patrons and the public are invited to all these exercises.

Hopkinsville Tobacco Market.

We are having a fine season both for planting and handling the old crop, and look soon for larger receipts and a good general demand, 220 bids sold this week and prices slightly higher.

Common lugs.....\$ 5 25 to 5 75
Medium ".....6 25 to 6 75
Good ".....7 00 to 8 00
Common leaf.....7 75 to 8 25
Medium ".....8 50 to 8 75
Good ".....9 00 to 10 50
Fine ".....11 00 to 12 50
Selections.....13 00 to 15 00
BUCKNER & WOOLDRIDGE.

The Railroad Commissioners of Kentucky, Hon. A. R. Boone, Judge J. P. Thompson and Judge J. B. Young are in the city, and we state at their request that they are at room No. 13, Phoenix Hotel, and ready to hear any persons having grievances against Railroads.

HERE AND THERE.

Howe's sun time is the city standard. Preparations are being made to resume work on South Main St.

Ten, D. Thompson with a full stock of furniture, up stairs, over old stand.

A new American sewing machine for sale at a bargain. Apply at this office.

Hopkinsville has been given the go-by by all the citizens this season. Several have been in other portions of the State, but none have been down this way.

A eulogy party was given at the residence of Mr. E. M. Fluck last Monday night, which was quite a source of enjoyment to the young ladies and gentlemen.

Rev. E. L. Powell, of Maysville, Ky., will preach the Commencement Sermon of South Kentucky College, on Sunday night, May 31, 1885, at the Christian church. Mr. Powell's rare attractions as an orator are well known.

Prof. John J. Tigert, of Vanderbilt University, will deliver the Literary Address for South Kentucky College at the Opera House, on Commencement night, Thursday, June 4, 1885. Mr. Tigert is one of the deepest thinkers of his years in the entire South.

The commission of W. T. Cavanaugh, of Christian county, who was recently appointed a storekeeper and ganger in the revenue service, was received from Washington yesterday, by Collector Farley. Mr. Cavanaugh is a Democrat who was recommended to Collector Farley by Mr. Hunter Wood, of Owensboro Messenger.

Mr. Lucian W. Means presented us Wednesday with a mule-bell, a relic of the late war, that was found embedded, seven inches in a poplar log. Mr. Means runs a saw-mill in Shipp's grove, near the city, and in cutting up the log into lumber found the bell. The bell had caused the wood in which it rested to decay 12 inches one way and 3 feet the other.

A couple of negro girls, nursing for families on South Main, got into a fight yesterday morning, and the affair would probably have resulted seriously but for the arrival of one Taylor Proyer, who separated them. The difficulty arose from one accusing the other of getting some wearing apparel without paying for it.

Prof. Riley, of Washington, says the seventeen-year tourists, whose visit he predicted, are harmless to growing crops and do no injury except to the twigs of forest and fruit trees. Wherever young orchards have been planted on land which has been cleared during the last seven years the trees are liable to suffer somewhat, but it is probable that kerosene spray upon the trees will protect them.—Associated Press Dispatch.

The L. A. & T. R. R., having leased for a term of years the old brick residence at the foot of College street, has the same arranged for a depot building and officers' headquarters and moved to it Saturday. The lower part has been converted into passengers' waiting rooms, freight rooms, ticket office, etc., and the upper rooms are occupied as offices. A telephone will be put in a few days, and other conveniences added. All trains start from this point now.—Clarksville Tobacco Leaf.

For the first time in several years the supply of dwelling houses in Hopkinsville exceeds the demand. There are now eight or ten vacant houses in the city, some of them entirely new and centrally located. This is not owing to any diminution in the number of families, but is the result of the building boom of the last few years. Scores of new houses have been built, and a number are going up even now, but until this year there has not been a vacant house to be found anywhere in the city.

Among the gentlemen whose names are being suggested for the Legislature on the Democratic side, Mr. Chas. H. Bush, of this city, seems to be most favorably thought of by the voters in the city. Mr. Bush is a consistent Democrat, a successful lawyer, a good stumper, and an energetic canvasser and would make an exceedingly lively race. He would represent the material interest of Hopkinsville and Christian county and just at this time that should be regarded as the first qualification in selecting a candidate. We do not know that Mr. Bush would consent to make the race, but it is high time, some good man was being selected through the Republicans seem to be quite as dilatory as the Democrats in naming a standard-bearer.

Judge Jos. I. Landes and Hon. A. H. Clark have entered into a partnership, to go into effect June 1, for the practice of law. These gentlemen were associated together prior to Col. Clark's entering the revenue business and the firm was one of the strongest in this section of Kentucky. In resuming their former relations the gentlemen composing the firm offer their services to their old patrons and the public generally, assuring them that any interests committed to their hands will be carefully and faithfully attended to. We commend the new firm to the public as a strong and learned one, second to none in the district. With experience, genius of a high order, minds well stored with legal knowledge, and those social and genial qualities that supply all the elements of popularity, they will at once resume their rank at the top of the bar of this city. Col. Clark's many friends are gratified beyond measure that he has returned to this city and will continue to reside here.

BETHEL FEMALE COLLEGE.

Closing Exercises of the Session.

THE EXAMINATIONS AT THE COLLEGE.

The closing exercises of Bethel Female College occupied the greater part of this week. The examinations of the pupils were conducted during the forenoon only, in the College chapel. These were very thorough and rigid and the creditable manner in which the young ladies stood this, the most trying ordeal through which the student must pass, was a high and flattering testimonial to the thoroughness and efficiency of the work done in the school. The examinations were attended by a number of visitors each day. There were three public entertainments at the Opera House, all of which were largely attended.

TUESDAY EVENING.

On Tuesday evening there was a very interesting entertainment. The first part of the evening was devoted to a musical concert, and the charming operetta, "Golden Hair and The Three Bears," was presented. The following programme was first carried out:

Instrumental quartette—Misses Mary Richardson, Mattie Mathis, Edna Radford, Laura Daniel.
Song—By the class.

Instrumental quartette—Misses Mattie McKnight, Fannie Rust, Fairman Shanklin, Porter Lowry.

Instrumental duet—Misses Mamie and Sallie Rust.

Vocal solo—(chorus by class)—Miss Laura Daniel.

Instrumental duet—Misses Mattie Buckner and Porter Lowry.

Vocal solo—Minnie B. Garlinghouse.

Instrumental solo—Miss Sarah Dagg.
At the conclusion of the first part Prof. Jno. O. Rust appeared and made a number of announcements and returned thanks for favors shown the faculty in preparing the entertainments. The Operetta was then produced in five acts. Little "Golden Hair" becomes lost in the woods and is brought before the Queen of the forest, who tells her that there are three black bears who live near by and that they have a casket of precious jewels in their possession. Golden Hair agrees to get these jewels and goes into the bear's den and in their absence falls asleep. They return and find her, but while they are eating their supper she escapes through a window with the jewels. The Queen then abdicates her throne, and Little Golden Hair is crowned queen in her stead.

The piece was of course all in music and it was presented in a very entertaining manner.

Miss Mamie Rust as Golden Hair, Miss Mary Richardson as Queen, Prof. J. M. Daniel and Masters Buck Anderson and Willie Trice, as the three bears, and Prof. Jno. O. Rust, as Bard, were the more prominent characters. Other leading parts were sustained by Misses Mattie Mathis, Lizzie Givens, Ida Burkes, Minnie Garlinghouse, Fannie Rust and others. All of the young ladies did so well that we will not particularize. The piece was received with such manifestations of approval that it was decided to repeat it on the following evening.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Wednesday evening was the "College Benefit" night. Mr. Holland kindly tendered the Opera House free for one night and the proceeds of the admission price of 25 cents were made the basis of a fund to put a new fence around the College yard.

The concert programme was an entire change and was as follows:

Chorus—The Class.

Instrumental quartette—Misses Annie Smith, Mary Richardson, Ida Burkes, Edna Radford.

Solo—Miss Mamie Rust.

Duet—Misses Sarah Dagg and Mattie Mathis.

Solo and Chorus—Miss Annie Smith and Class.

Vocal Solo—Miss Mary Richardson.

Solo and chorus—Misses Mattie Buckner, Porter Lowry, Cornelia Cowan, Sadie Williams and Fannie and Willie Rust.

Instrumental solo—Miss Sallie Rust.

Alumnae poem—(by Mrs. Jeanie Inman Grace), read by Miss Lillie Waller.

Then followed the reproduction of the Operetta presented the preceding night.

THURSDAY EVENING.

On last evening the Commencement Exercises proper were held. The programme is here given:

Grand March—Misses Lizzie Givens, Mamie Rust, Sarah Dagg and Sallie Rust.

Prayer.

Chorus—Musical Class.

Essay—"Awaken"—Miss Mattie Mathis, Clarksville, Miss.

Quartette—Misses Mattie Mathis, Annie Smith, Mary Richardson and Ida Burkes.

Essay—"We went notwithstanding it rained"—Miss Mary Richardson, Pembroke, Ky.

Solo and chorus—Miss Mamie Rust.

Essay—"Low alm is crime"—Miss Annie Smith, Princeton, Ky.

Vocal solo—Miss Mattie Mathis.

Essay—"Society"—Miss Carrie Cox, Bellevue, Ky.

Quartette—Misses Sarah Dagg, Lizzie Givens, Sallie and Mamie Rust.

Essay—"Soul Culture"—Miss Mary Elaine, Crofton, Ky.

Quartette.
Parting Song—Musical class.
Benediction.

As we went to press early last night, all comments on the graduating essays of the young ladies must be deferred until Tuesday. The entertainment last evening closed the week's exercises and the young ladies will disperse to their homes to-day.

A Delayed Letter.

Trenton, Ky.

Ed. SOUTH KENTUCKIAN:

On April 23, at 7 A. M., the doors of the Baptist church at this place were thrown open and the audience room was soon well filled to hear a beautiful and impressive ceremony from Rev. Mr. Lockett, which united the destinies of Miss Annie Dickinson, of this place, and Rev. W. H. Ryals, of Va.

The social, mental and moral qualities of the lovely bride are too well and widely known, to need further comment.

The groom, though a Virginian, has been in Ky. long enough to win an enviable reputation as an eloquent and earnest minister of the gospel, and to secure many warm personal friends. The writer but echoes the sentiment of many in saying they were mutually blessed in gaining each others affections.

Misses Emma and Lelia Dickinson, Nora Garth, Lizzie Ware, Jennie Cabanis and Mary Hatter were the attendants. Messrs. Jno. and Cross Wood, Sam Steger and Dr. Frank Runyon were the ushers. These, with the immediate relatives and a few friends were sumptuously entertained at the house of the bride's father, on the eve of the 22nd.

The presents here were numerous and handsome, and others awaited them in Trenton, Tennessee.

The party left immediately after the ceremony for the depot, where there was a large crowd of friends to offer congratulations and say goodbye to one of Trenton's greatest treasures.

A FRIEND.

The annual stock sale at the Casky Grange yesterday was seriously interfered with by the frequent showers of rain. There were several very hard rains and shelters were scarce and as a consequence many who were there left very early. In the morning a good crowd assembled though there was a hard shower about ten o'clock. There was no rain during the dinner hour and the tables were loaded down with an abundance of good edibles. There was much more than enough to feed all present. There were a large number of cattle and some other stock for sale, but the prices brought in the forenoon were very low. The sale had to be conducted between showers and a great deal of stock remained unsold when we left at 3 o'clock. Col. R. E. Edmonson, of Lexington, was the auctioneer.

There are several patients in the Western Kentucky Lunatic Asylum who have been there since 1854—thirty-one years. One of them was in the Lexington Asylum 18 years before he was brought here; he has been in the Asylum of the State almost 50 years and is still enjoying vigorous bodily health.

In connection with the Phoenix Hotel Saloon will be found a handsomely furnished reading room, where all the latest newspapers and best reading matter is always on hand.

Since the recent rains tobacco has been moving off very rapidly and we would like to have all the farmers who do not take our paper invest \$2.00 with us for a year's subscription to the SOUTH KENTUCKIAN.

The Democratic primary election in Trigg county on the 23rd inst., resulted in the nomination of Capt. Thos. J. Greer, of Cerulean Springs, for the Lower House of the Legislature. Col. J. F. Gentry, of Cadiz, and Dr. J. W. Johnson, of Golden Pond, were the other candidates.

Jas. W. Craun has been nominated for the Legislature by the Democrats of Fleming county.

SPECIAL LOCALS.

Sliced Ham at G. U. West's Grocery every day.

BANANAS!
25 cents per dozen at
Holland & Rodgers.

SAM JONES!
The place to get the best is what the people want to find out and right here we want to tell you something in that line. C. W. Ducker's Carriage Shop is the place to get your repairing on all kinds of Vehicles done in the best and most substantial manner. He works none but first-class workmen, therefore he turns out nothing but the best work. His prices are very reasonable.

LOOK HERE!
I can and will sell Monumental Work cheaper than any house in this section of country. Come and be convinced.
ANDREW HALL.

For the finest and most delicious drink ever mixed go to the Phoenix Hotel Saloon.

We are just in receipt of our third stock of
SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHING.

Our Mr. M. Frankel bought for us \$5,000 worth of Clothing which will be sold at extremely low prices. Call on us for nice Clothing. Our stock of Summer Clothing can not be excelled in variety and prices.
M. Frankel & Sons.

The best cigars in the city at the Phoenix Hotel Saloon.

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Dawson Water
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Just received an elegant line of
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At extremely low prices also the newest patterns in Sateen Calico.

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